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Sir;

In response to the Office Action dated August 12, 2003, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows on the accompanying pages.